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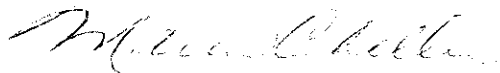
Magistrate Judge Kenneth P. Neiman
United States District Court
Federal Building and Courthouse
1550 Main Street
Springfield, MA 01103

RE: The Mercy Hospital, Inc. vs. Massachusetts Nurses Association
Civil Action No.: 04-30014-MAP

Dear Judge Neiman:

The Court has requested a status report as to the prospect of settlement in the above captioned matter. Please be advised that the parties have not been able to resolve this matter as of this date.

Sincerely,



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